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SUBJ: PATRIOT EDITORIAL

1. NEW DELHI PATRIOT FOR JANUARY 21 CARRIED EDITORIAL
ATTACKING PRESIDENT FORD FOR ACKNOWLEDGING THAT THE
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WOULD CONTINUE COVERT OPERATIONS,
RUNNING
THROUGH THE USUAL LITANY OF ALLEGATIONS
OF US INTERFERENCE IN CHILE, BANGLADESH AND INDIA, AND
CONCLUDING WITH THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH:

2. "MR. FORD'S INSISTENCE ON COVERT OPERATIONS AS NECESSARY FOR THE CONDUCT OF AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY MEANS THAT US GOVERNMENT IS AN INTERNATIONAL GANGSTER. SUCH GANGSTERISM CANNOT BE CURBED BY PREACHING THE VIRTUES OF THE UN CHARTER OR THE HELSINKI DECLARATION TO WASHINGTON'S LEADERS. IT HAS TO BE MET BY SEVERE MEASURES. THE AMERICANS HAVE NO RIGHT TO INTERFERE
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IN THE AFFAIRS OF OTHER PEOPLES, OPENLY OR SECRETLY,

AND IF THEY CANNOT RESTRAIN THEIR CYNICAL ROBOT POLITICIANS, OTHER PEOPLE WILL NEED TO TAKE STEPS IN SELF-DEFENCE. THE MURDER OF THE CIA CHIEF IN ATHENS MIGHT BECOME THE BEGINNING OF A BACKLASH."

3. ON JANUARY 21 THE AMBASSADOR SENT THE FOLLOWING LETTER TO FOREIGN SECRETARY KEWAL SINGH WITH A COPY TO P.N. DHAR, THE PRIME MINISTER'S PRIVATE SECRETARY.

4. "MY DEAR FRIEND, THE OPEN INVITATION TO VIOLENCE CONTAINED IN THE ENCLOSED EDITORIAL FROM THE CENSORED PRESS CAN ONLY BE LOOKED UPON WITH ALARM.

" SOME TIME AGO I WROTE TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER IN REGARD TO A SIMILAR INCITEMENT TO ATTACK AMERICANS IN THE U.S. CONSULATE GENERAL IN CALCUTTA.

"WHILE WE ARE RELUCTANT TO ASK FOR FAVORS FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, IT WOULD SEEM OBVIOUS THAT IT WOULD BE OF MUTUAL INTEREST TO PREVENT THE TYPE OF ACTIONS THAT SUCH WRITINGS LEAD TO.

"I TRUST THAT YOU WILL GIVE THIS MATTER YOUR ATTENTION AND ON THE RETURN OF THE FOREIGN MINISTER TAKE THE SUBJECT UP WITH HIM. SINCERELY, WILLIAM B. SAXBE."

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